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Wesley's Journal

We have had a busy spring! There have been lots of activities (VBS, Carolina Cross Connection, Impact Saturday, Prison Ministry in May), learning opportunities, sickness, too many deaths. And now United Methodist preachers are moving to their new appointments (God is gracious and kind and I get to stay at First in Forest City for another year), vacations are sprouting up all around and the pace of life hopefully will slow a little and we can all catch our breath for the frantic Fall activities that fill the calendar.

As you sit by the pool, laze away the day in the backyard shade, relax in the mountains or at the lake or the beach, I offer you some amusement. Once more for your enjoyment and pleasure here is another hidden Bible book Puzzle. *A Shaggy Car Story* by the Rev. Harvey Estes. There are 13 (THIRTEEN) books of the Bible concealed in the story. They may be single words, or parts of two or more words. GOOD HUNTING!

While I was working on my car my next door neighbor wandered over. He came up behind me just as I was screaming, "This car is ... a... I, ah didn't mean to lose my temper.

He replied, "It's really nothing to lament at, I on such occasions, just start thinking about getting a new car. I remember when the condition of my car would cause me to yelp, 'Hi Lemon!' every time I got in it. So I just started imagining a new car. Nothing formal; a chintzy person like me could honeymoon in a pick up truck."

I began ranting, "My car is such a jonah; umpteen times I tried to fix it, but to no avail. And I'm always buying new tires; the reason for that is my alignment is always out."

He broke in, "My tires are not so bad; I ahead of my neighbors as usual had mine rotated last week. I do that every 5000 miles. With that format the worst that could happen is that I might run over a nail of something.

"Gas is what costs," I told him.

"Was it bad on your vacation?" he asked.

"Oh, we really lost money on gas at a lot of different stations, but nothing could match our Texaco loss," I answered.

"My old convertible was bad to leak," he broke in again. "When it rained in, I wanted to take out the carpet, eradicate the stain, and be done with it. But the carpet wasn't detachable. Fortunately, when I bought a sedan, I eliminated that problem."

We talked for some time, then piled into my car and drove down to Natchez, rarely mentioning our car problems again.

Wes

A prayer for the Fourth

May freedom be seen, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to please to do what is right. May it ever be understood that our liberty is under God and can be found nowhere else.

May our faith be something that is not merely stamped upon our coins, but expressed in our lives....To the extent that America honors thee, wilt thou bless America, and keep her true as thou hast kept her free, and make her good as thou hast made her rich. Amen.

—From *The Prayers of Peter Marshall in the U.S. Senate*



What is a vacation?

A vacation is a succession of 2's. It consists of 2 weeks, which may be 2 short. Afterwards, you are 2 tired 2 return 2 work, but 2 broke not 2. Therefore, be sure 2 bring or mail 2 the church your 2 weeks' offering before you leave. (If not, we will be 2 far behind 2 do all the things for the Lord that he wants us 2 do.)

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Thank You... Thank You...Thank you

Our church journeyed on the high seas and explored the mighty love of God. The children, youth and adults adventured into the Bible and learned all about God's love. They yelled "LETS GO" each time they heard the Bible verse of the day. They learned that:

- *God word is true*
- *God word is comforting*
- *God word is surprising*
- *God word is life changing*
- *God word is for everyone*

*75 children and over 50 adults participated
this year!*

Words can not express how much we appreciate all who participated in this Vacation Bible School.

- Thank you to all who helped set up and clean up
- Thank you to all the volunteers who led the rotations
- Thank you to the crew leaders
- Thank you to the United Methodist Women for providing food for the Hospitality Room
- Thank you to the parents for sharing your children with us
- Thank you to the church staff for your help with the extra Bible School needs
- Thank you to everyone who prayed for and supported this program.
- Thank you to the children and youth for your excitement and your participation.

This VBS was successful because of a wonderful team of volunteers. Thank you for all that you do! We appreciate you.

WOMEN OF STRENGTH... SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

The Women of Strength Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, July 6. We will begin a new series by Beth Moore, Priscilla Shirer, and Kay Arthur. The title is "Anointed, Transformed, Redeemed". Through this study we will explore the life of David. The messages presented by these beloved authors are divided into three segments, two lessons from each author. Each segment focuses on the life of David at a different stage of his life: as a young man (sessions one and two by Priscilla Shirer), as a middle-aged man (sessions three and four by Beth Moore), and as a man facing the final third of his life (sessions five and six by Kay Arthur). You'll laugh with these ladies, cry with them, and learn to love God with them.

This group meets on Tuesday's at 6:00 pm in the Men's Bible Class. Everyone is invited to participate. Invite your friends and neighbors. We are a diverse group of women of different ages, backgrounds and denominations. Contact Kristin Holmstrom in the church office (245-6446) for more information.



Women's Bible Study

Summer Fun

Calling all rising 1st through rising 6th graders... We want you to join us for an exciting adventure. Mark your calendars and plan on participating in the Summer Fun Program.



LeeAnne Summey and her team of helpers are planning some amazing trips for you and your friends.

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Save the following dates:

Tuesday, July 6...Tweetsie Railroad Adventure
July 26-30 WEEK LONG...CAMP PROMISE!

The trip to Tweetsie will cost \$10.00
A drink for lunch and an afternoon snack will
be provided.

We will meet at the church at 8:30 am and
children can be picked up at the church at 4:00
pm.

The week long camp will cost \$50.00 for one
child, \$75.00 for 2 children (siblings), \$85.00
for three children (siblings). Please see Kristin
in the church office if cost is a concern. The
camp time will include crafts, singing (we will
be preparing a musical to present to the church
on Sunday, August 1st), daily field trips, special
snacks, movies, and many other activities.
Camp will run from 9 am to 3 pm each day.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED... **FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS**

Call the church office to register...245-6446.

Give Him Your Best and Watch it Be Blessed

Final Report

Eleven children in the 3rd-5th grade Sunday
School class were given \$100.00 each to
participate in a unique service project.

Sawyer Bright donated the \$100.00 to an art
therapy program at Hospice. Through this art
program children learn how to deal with and
express their feelings of grief.

Tyler Brown purchased 100 pairs of shoes and
gave them to people in Haiti (through a program
at Rutherford Hospital).

Ally Flack donated \$100.00 to the American Red
Cross to help with relief efforts in Haiti and
Chili. She also donated money to the emergency
fund for Rutherford County. Ally also purchased

travel size toiletry items for bags given out to
victims of house fires.

Natalie Flack and her mother made Lemon
Pound Cakes and sold them. They used the
money they made to buy meals, clothes and shoes
for a family at her school.

Sydney Flack used her \$100.00 to buy gift
certificates and other items for Path Shelter and
Noah's House. She purchased passes (and got
some donated) to Kids Play, Kids Senses, Retro
Cinema, Owl's Baseball, and Pizza Hut. She also
purchased a DVD player for the organization.

Grey Griffith donated the money to his school so
his classmates could attend a special field trip.

Kellan Jones bought 58 pairs of flip flops, 22
boxes of crayons, 24 coloring books and gave
these items to a building team from Floyd's
Creek Baptist Church to take to Honduras.

Kevin Kever bought school supplies for
Spindale Elementary School students. He
purchased pencils, paper, crayons, glue stick,
scissors and other supplies.

Madalyn Wright is in the process of completing
her project.

Nicholas and William Newton donated their
money to help with Summer Camp for several
families who recently lost their jobs.

We, as a church, invested \$1,100.00 in this
program and 11 children reached out and touched
11 different needs. Many were blessed because
of the generosity of these children and the
generosity of this church. Many witnessed these
children Being the Church as they reached out in
Christian love to serve. Thank you to the
children, their parents and their friends for the
support of this project.



**Audio:**

July 4: Dupree Calvert
July 11: Ron Porter
July 18: John Tate
July 25: Dennis Danner

Acolyte Coordinator:

Lisa Griffith

Acolytes:

July 4: Conner Enloe
July 11: Ally Flack
July 18: Sawyer Bright
July 25: South Bright

Cross Bearer:

July 4: Cassie Enloe
July 11: Kevin Keever
July 18: Tyler Brown
July 25: Sydney Flack

Greeters:

July 4: Sara Gooch & Freida Phillips
July 11: Gary & Sharon Shipley
July 18: Caleb & Jordan Landis
July 25: Tom & LaVerne Walker

Nursery:

July 4: Matt Brown
July 11: Cooper Flack
July 18: Cathy Hoyle
July 25: Ronda Eaker

Finance Persons:

July 4: Tim Ridenhour & David Eaker
July 11: Cooper Flack & Jef Flack
July 18: Tom Walker & Bill Davis
July 25: Dennis Danner & Ruth Calvert

Head Usher: Matt Bright

July 4: Steve Jones, Dennis Danner,
Jim Anderson
July 11: Matt Brown, Mike Cline,
Richard Smith
July 18: Mike Gavin, Terry Watkins,
Bruce King
July 25: Tom Walker, Joe Waters,
Jeff Enloe

Doorsteppers:**Bread Maker: Iris Sechriest**

July 4: Buster & Judy Lawson
July 11: Joe & Carlene Adair
July 18: James & Carolyn Hopper
July 25: June Pope & Betty Calton

Communion Stewards:

July 4: Bill & Barbara Millwood

*"The Lord is
my strength
and my
song..."*
Exodus 15:2

Stewardship Report

Date	SS	Worship		Offering
		8:30	10:30	
05/23	90	12	144	8,717.50
05/30	60	13	105	3,154.00
06/06	72	20	135	7,960.00
06/13	51	48	130	3,572.00

Yearly Goal - \$385,624.00

Given Year to Date - \$137,418.50

Thank You!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday Morning

8:30 a.m. Early Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary

Sunday Afternoon

5:30 p.m. - Snack Supper

6:00 p.m. - Sr. & Mid High Youth

7:00 p.m. - Praise Band - (Youth room)

Circles Meet the 2nd Tuesday of Each Month:

More or Less Circle - meets at noon at
Big Dave's

McKinney-Walker Circle meets at the
church at 2:00 pm

Friendship Circle meets at 7:00 pm

Please contact the church if you are
interested in joining one of these circles

Prayer Groups

You are invited and encouraged to attend a
Prayer Breakfast each

Thursday at 7:30 am.

We meet at Denny's on Hwy. 74A.

Join our evening group which will meet
Sunday evenings at 6:00 pm

at Wendy's.

July Birthdays

- 2 Kim Warner
Parker Tate
- 3 Michael Padgett
- 4 Richard Smith
- 5 Ruth Calvert
- 6 Shane Earley
- 9 Trey Summey
- 11 Martha Jones
- 12 Dupree Calvert, Scott Webber
- 14 Jackie Watkins
- 15 Danny Taylor
- 16 Carlene Adair, Michael Brown
- 19 Ron Mauney, Bruce King
Brad Brown, Cade Davis
- 20 Geneva Roberson
- 21 David Toney, Tyler Perez,
Tabitha Judy
- 22 Charles Owens
- 23 Matt Brown
- 25 Jordan Landis
- 27 Sheila Carpenter, Kenny Hopper
- 28 Lynn Tate, Simon Phillips
- 29 Norman Jones, Jr.
- 31 Suzan Rhyne



Island Adventure A Success!!!

Relay for Life Fundraiser

Thank you to all who helped on Saturday, June 19
Our Island Adventure was a success thanks to the
involvement of many.

Thanks to:

all who set up and cleaned up
all who washed cars

all who collected money and sold t-shirts
all who donated baked goods for the bake sale
all who prepared, cooked and served the food
all who supervised the children's activities
all who attended the wonderful event.

We raised over \$1,200.00 for Relay for Life!!!

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Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																																																		
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AS YOU PRAY, PLEASE REMEMBER . . .

Covenant Place
2826 Carter Road,
Room 1118
Sumter, SC 29150
*Marie McDuffie

Carolina House of Forest City
493 Piney Ridge Road
Forest City, NC 28043
* Frances Dorsey, Madge Smith

Autumn Care
830 Bethany Church Road
Forest City, NC 28043
Buena Winn, *Robert Philbeck

Oakland Living Center
704 Poors Ford Road
Rutherfordton, NC 28139
*Will Eskridge, * Virginia Newton

Nancy & Harold Stallcup
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Mildred Lawler
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Apt. # 149
Columbia, SC 29223
Phone: (803) 736-3286

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Rutherfordton, NC 28139
J.C. Lamb, *Martha Waldrop

Willow Ridge
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Rutherfordton, NC 28139
Pauline Jenks

The Dorchester
12930 Dorman Road
Apt. # 363
Pineville, NC 28134
Mae Blanton

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Nell Moss
Ada Jane Davis
Betty Harmon
Martha Jo Bradley

Jane Mauney
Joe Adair
Lillian Hudson
Alice Hammett
Betty & Billy Harrill

Evelyn & Paul Lee
Milton & Geneva Roberson
Virginia Jones
Bud Williamson
Sue Hyder

Our Men & Women in Service



FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Bobby Goforth
Tom Porter
Penny Davis
Rachel Jones
C.E. Jacobs, Jr.
Gene Eaker

Pat Margarita
Pam Allen Jones
Yates Lavender
Allison Craft
Robin Hawkins
^Francisco Mauricio

Keith Stephenson
Marjorie Burke
Lois Rabb
Nicole Ames
^Amanda O'Brian
^Terri Griffin

^Jesse Vickers
^Wanda Miles
^Amy Lee
^Terry Greene
^Caleb Sisk
^Donald Dysart, Jr.

^Person helped by our Cancer Patient Assistance Fund
(All names submitted will be kept on the prayer list for 30 days.
Please notify the church office if names need to be added again or taken off.)



Seniors' Page



SENIOR ADULT
LUNCHEONS -
July 10th - Cookout on
the Parkway

REST HOME MISSION

Tuesday, July 6th - Autumn Care

Tuesday, July 20th - Hillcrest



"You have to go to church. You can't just stay home and read *Chicken Soup for the Soul*."

Church Bulletin Bloopers cont ...

They're Back! Those wonderful Church Bulletins! Thank God for church ladies with typewriters. These sentences (with all the BLOOPERS) actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:

(1) Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 am. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.

(2) Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 pm. Please use the back door.

(3) Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

(4) The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 pm. The congregation is invited to attend the tragedy.

(5) The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours."

(6) This evening at 7 pm there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

(7) The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.

(8) Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be use to cripple children.

(9) The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."





Loree Calvert Spurlin-
Van Fund
Grady & June Pope

Mildred Head Smith-
(sister of Betty Watkins)
Van Fund
Martha Roach Novak

Nita Hamrick Moore-
(sister of Georgia Foster)
Van Fund
Martha Roach Novak

Dr. William Shapiro
Cancer Patient Assistance
Robert & Evelyn Watkins

Dot Howard Cole -
Cancer Patient Assistance
Robert & Evelyn Watkins

Vernon Tarlton-
Cancer Patient Assistance
Dennis Tarlton

Ann Watkins-
(daughter of Robert & Evelyn Watkins)
Cancer Patient Assistance
Shirley Smith

Ellis (Mrs. Charles) Ford-
Cancer Patient Assistance
Mary Craven Poteat

Dr. Charles Lee Griffith-
General Memorials

Mildred Feagin Lawler
Hugh & Laurie Watkins
& Family
Mr. & Mrs. Gilbert C. Mays
Christy Callison Jackson
Van Fund
Grady & June Pope
Parsonage Fund
Joe & Joyce Waters

Charles Z. "Chuck" Flack-
General Memorials

Irvin & Mary Aldridge
Mildred Feagin Lawler
Family of Chinara Flack Wilson
& daughter,
Nelda Wilson Maxwell
Kenneth & Joanne Holsombeck
Peggy M. Allison
Barbara Peterson
Frieda Sellers
& Christy Callison Jackson
Mr. & Mrs. James T. Tanner
Cancer Patient Assistance
Laine H. Matheny
Grady & June Pope
Dr. Jef and Lynn Flack

Honorariums:

Robert Watkins -
Cancer Patient Assistance
by: Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Tanner

Dan King -
Cancer Patient Assistance
by: Bob & Barbara Foster

Dave & Mary Brown -
Cancer Patient Assistance
by: Dee B. Griffith

Memorial Gifts Continued :

Sadie Hamrick Williamson- Relay for Life

Eastwood Village Association

Joe & Mollie Jo Robertson

Chris & Linda Cross

Dr. Yates & Joanne Eaker

Jonas & Judy Fowler

Buster & Judy Lawson

Bob & Lola Freeman

Margaeret B. Bartlett

Sara T. Moore

Laura C. Walters

Holland Bridges Burton

Joe & Carlene Adair

Wesley & Martha Rose Hood

Cancer Patient Assistance

Robert & Evelyn Watkins

Dee B. Griffith

Mary M. Silsand

Elizabeth Beam King- Cancer Patient Assistance

Robert & Evelyn Watkins

First UMC Choir, Forest City

Freddie, Andy & Robin Moss

Dennis & Brenda Danner

Wilson & Carole K. Womble

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**To the Scholarship Committee and to
the Members of First United Methodist
Church,**

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for the Christian Disciple Scholarship at FUMC. Thank you also for taking the time to review my application and interview me. I greatly appreciate the scholarship that was offered and the money will be used to help pay for my tuition at Lenoir Rhyne University. This church has played an important part in my life over the last four years and I am grateful for all of your support and prayers.

Sincerely,
Kyle Holmstrom

Carolina Cross Connection

Thank you to Steve Jones, Jeff Enloe, and Lisa Roper for taking the Youth to the Carolina Cross Connection.

We enjoyed hearing about their experiences during worship.




Thank you to South Bright, MacKenzie Brown, Micaela Brown, Cody Danner, Jessica Hernandez, Chris Hill, Gray Hill, Kristen Iwerks, Caleb Landis, Egan Newton, Josh Roper, and Alyssa

Toney for representing our church during this project. We are very proud of you!



"Encourage one another and build up each other"

1 Thessalonians 5:11

-  Wesley's Journal
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ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The **Administrative Council** met May 10, 2010 at 6:30 PM in the conference room with 15 persons present. Matt Brown called the meeting to order at 6:32 and led in prayer. Present were Jim Anderson, Carlene Adair, Pam Blice, Matt Brown, Dupree Calvert, Baxter Carpenter, Chris Cross, Mary Ann Davis, Martha Grace Estes, Becky Heath, Chris Hill, Jeff Hill, Kristin Holmstrom, Wes Judy, and Judy Toney. The minutes for April 12, 2010 were approved after a motion by Judy Toney and second by Dupree Calvert.

The operating fund balance April 30, 2010 was \$81,580. We have 78% of projected giving to date.

The report for the trustees was that the air conditioning was working for which we are grateful. A new heating and air conditioning system may have to be installed in the fall.

Staff-parish met and hired Lee Anne Summey as the Nursery worker and staff worker for the children's programs.

The youth have 12 youth and 2 or 3 adults going to Carolina Cross Connection June 13-19th. June 13-19 is also Vacation Bible School. Pentecost Sunday the Praise band will be performing. Preschool graduation is May 28th. We will honor our graduating seniors from high school and college. Impact Saturday, where we go beyond ourselves is June 5. We are asked to bring paper towels and institutional sized canned foods to the church for the Grace of God Homeless Shelter. We want to congratulate Barbara Hawkins and all the committees who helped her prepare and clean up for the Wednesday night dinners. We had good attendance. We have about 25-30 children in our Wednesday afternoon programs and they enjoy it so much. The ladies Bible study will return after Bible school. On June 19, Relay for Life is going to have a one day huge fundraiser. More news to come on this. Administrative Council will meet on June 21 and not meet in July.

Wes said that Lee Anne will come for early church nursery if there are people who need the nursery at that time. The United Methodist Men raised over \$600 for Camp McCall with their recent meal. Camp McCall will celebrate its 50th anniversary August 14 and there will be a barbecue dinner. We will get more information and let you know before then. We now have an official Methodist church in Vietnam. They have very specific rules before you can put a church there. There has to be an Administrative Building. Wes would like for us to recognize our pre-school in some way. They are a valuable asset to the church in the community. They have a very good reputation in our community and many of the teachers have been there a very long time. We decided to think more about what we could do and decide at another meeting.

We are asked to contact Pearl if we want to use the building or fellowship hall at any time. Many times these areas are already in use and we need to coordinate this with Pearl; then there are no hard feelings or someone being left out.

We adjourned at 7:35 and Wes led in prayer.

Becky Heath, Secretary

Approved: